



## ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

**Held at 1:00pm  
On 21 December 2015**

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Councillors:**

Cr M Pearce (Mayor)  
Cr B Crouch (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr L Cooper  
Cr K Dusting  
Cr M Dusting  
Cr D Field  
Cr F Geldof  
Cr I Strutt  
Cr K Ward

#### **Staff:**

Mr D Connor, General Manager  
Mrs O Wood, Executive Manager-Community & Culture  
Mr S Paul, Chief Financial Officer  
Mrs D Williams, Minute Clerk

# MINUTES

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*The Meeting Commenced at: 1:03pm*

## **ATTENDANCE**

Present were the Chairperson Cr M Pearce (Mayor), Cr B Crouch (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors, L Cooper, K Disting, M Disting, D Field, I Strutt, K Ward, General Manager (Mr D Connor), Chief Financial Officer (Mr S Paul), Executive Manager-Community & Culture (Mrs O Wood), Minute Clerk (Mrs D Williams).

### **1. OPENING & WELCOME**

### **2. PRAYER**

### **3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY**

### **4. APOLOGIES/REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

01.12/15 *An Apology was tabled for Cr F Geldof (M Disting/B Crouch)*

02.12/15 *A Leave of Absence was requested for Cr L Cooper (I Strutt/D Field)*

### **5. DISCLOSURES & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

*At request of the Chair, the Minute Clerk tabled details of the pecuniary and non-pecuniary Conflict of Interest Declarations received in relation to the 21 December 2015 meeting.*

<b>Submitted By:</b>	<b>Interest Declared:</b>
<i>Crs M&amp;K Disting</i>	<i>Report # 2.14.12.01 – DA 65.2013</i>

### **6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **Ordinary Meeting of 23 November 2015**

03.12/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt/ M Disting.)**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 November 2015 (copies have been circulated to Members) and Minutes of Closed Session of same meeting, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

### **7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **8. TABLING OF REPORTS & PETITIONS**

### **9. PRESENTATIONS & DEPUTATIONS**

- High Country video clip presentation by EMCC, Mrs Olivia Wood.

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**WRITTEN REPORTS FROM DELEGATES**

*Councillors in turn provided a brief verbal summary of their Council related activities during the reporting period and submitted written Delegate Reports comprising details as follows:-*

<b>Cr B Crouch</b>		
3/12/2015	Bundarra Central School Presentation Night	Bundarra
10/12/2015	Kingstown Public School Presentation Night	Kingstown
14/12/2015	Councillor Briefing	Uralla
14/12/2015	Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee	Uralla
14/12/2015	Corporate and Community Committee	Uralla
21/12/2015	Citizenship Ceremony	Uralla
21/12/2015	Ordinary meeting of Council	Uralla
<b>Cr D Field</b>		
23-11-2015	Ordinary Council Meeting,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Councillor Briefing Session,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Corporate & Community Standing Committee,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Environment, Development & Infrastructure,	USC Chambers
<b>Cr M Dusting</b>		
26-11-2015	Jobs Australia AGM	Tamworth
9-12-2015	Grace Munro Centre Xmas Party	Bundarra
10-12-2015	Barnaby Joyce Xmas Drinks	Armidale
14-12-2015	Councillor Briefing Session,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Corporate & Community Standing Committee,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Environment, Development & Infrastructure,	USC Chambers
15-12-2015	Local Land Services Weeds Advisory Committee	Armidale
	New England Weed County Council Staff Drinks	Armidale
<b>Cr K Ward</b>		
14-12-2015	Councillor Briefing Session,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Corporate & Community Standing Committee,	USC Chambers
15-12-2015	St Joseph's School Presentation	Uralla
<b>Cr I Strutt</b>		
27-11-2015	CWA Annual Christmas Luncheon	Uralla
2-12-2015	Rocky River Public School Presentation Night	Rocky River
9-12-2015	Christmas Carols	Uralla
10-12-2015	Barnaby Joyce Xmas Drinks	Armidale
14-12-2015	Councillor Briefing Session,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Corporate & Community Standing Committee,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Environment, Development & Infrastructure,	USC Chambers
15-12-2015	Kentucky School Presentation Night	Kentucky
21-12-2015	Citizenship Ceremony	Uralla
21-12-2015	Ordinary Council Meeting	USC, Uralla

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<b>Cr K Dusting</b>		
26-11-2015	Australia Day Committee	Uralla
9-12-2015`	Grace Munro Centre Xmas Party	Bundarra
10-12-2015	Barnaby Joyce Xmas Drinks	Armidale
14-12-2015	Councillor Briefing Session,	USC Chambers
14-12-2015	Corporate & Community Standing Committee,	USC Chambers
<b>Cr L Cooper</b>		
26-11-2015	Jobs Australia Tour of Backtrack	Uralla, Tamworth & Gunnedah
	Australia Day Committee	USC, Uralla
14-12-2015	Standing Committee Meeting	USC, Uralla
21-12-2015	Ordinary Council Meeting	USC, Uralla
<b>Cr M Pearce</b>		
24/11/15	Mayors Office - Admin/Corro	Uralla
25/11/15	2AD Radio Interview. Mayor's Office - Admin/Corro	Uralla
26/11/15	Mayor's Office - Admin/Corro	Uralla
27/11/15	Namoi Councils Meeting AGM	Tamworth
30/11/15	Mayor's Office - Admin/Corro	Uralla
01/12/15	Mayor's Office - Admin/Corro	Uralla
02/12/15	LEMC meeting	Guyra
03/12/15	NIRW meeting	Quirindi
07/12/15	Mayor;s Office	Uralla
08/12/15	Mayor;s Office Uralla Central School Presentation re waste2art.	Uralla
09/12/15	2AD interview	Mayor's office
10/12/15	Namoi Council workshop on Road funding for JO;s.	Tamworth
14/12/15	Abington bridge site visit with Barnaby Joyce.	Bundarra
14/12/15	Community and Culture Standing Committee meeting. Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee meeting.	Uralla.
15/12/15	Mayor's Office Admin and meeting.	Uralla
16/12/15	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla.
17/12/15	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla.
18/12/15	Admin, speak with General Manager regarding current Reform process	Uralla.
21/12/15	Mayor's Office - Admin. Citizenship Ceremony. December Council Meeting.	Uralla.

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**12. MAYORAL MINUTE**

**Mayor, Michael Pearce**

Item 1

National Local Roads and Transport Congress  
17-19 November, 2015, Ballarat, Victoria.

**04.12/15 Moved (Crs B Crouch/L Cooper)**

**Councillors Recommendation:**

**That the report title, National local Roads and Transport Congress, 17-19 November, 2015, Ballarat, Victoria, as presented by the Mayor, be received and noted.**

**13. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CONFIDENTIAL SECTION - Nil**

**14. REPORTS FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER - Nil**

**15. REPORTS FROM THE CORPORATE & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

**Department: Community and Culture**

**Submitted by: Olivia Wood**

**Reference: 1.14.12.01**

**Subject: Inland NSW Annual Report**

**05.12/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs D Field / L Cooper)**

**That:**

**That the Inland NSW Annual Report be received and noted.**

**Department: Organisational Services - Finance**

**Submitted by: Chief Financial Officer**

**Reference: 1.14.12..02**

**Subject: Cash at Bank and Investments**

**06.12/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Dusting / B Crouch)**

**That:**

**Council note the cash position as at 30 November, 2015 consisting of cash and overnight funds of \$2,183,098, term deposits of \$8,200,000 totalling \$10,383,098 of readily convertible funds.**

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**16. REPORTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE**

**Department:** Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Submitted by:** Director of Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Reference:** 2.14.12.01  
**Subject:** Development Approvals and Refusals for November 2015

Crs K & M Dusting left room 1:44pm having earlier declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item.

**07.12/15** **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt / K Ward)**  
**That Council receive and note the development approvals and refusals for November 2015.**

Crs K & M Dusting returned to room at 1:46pm.

**Department:** Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Submitted by:** Director Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Reference:** 2.14.12.02  
**Subject:** Works Progress Report to 30 November 2015

**08.12/15** **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs B Crouch / K Ward)**  
**That the report be received and noted for the works completed or progressed during November 2015.**

**Department:** Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Submitted by:** Director Infrastructure & Regulation  
**Reference:** 2.14.12.03  
**Subject:** Works Planning Report December 2015

**09.12/15** **Procedural Motion to Move to Committee (Crs K Ward/M Dusting)**  
**10.12/15** **Procedural Motion to Resume Standing Orders – (Crs K Dusting/M Dusting)**

**11.12/15** **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Dusting / B Crouch)**  
**That the report be received and noted for the works planned for December 2015.**

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**Department:** Infrastructure and Regulation  
**Submitted by:** Director Infrastructure and Regulation  
**Reference:** 2.14.12.04  
**Subject:** Uralla Local Traffic Committee

12.12/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt / L Cooper)**  
**That:**

1. The minutes of the Uralla Local Traffic Committee held 10 November 2015 be noted by Council.
2. Council writes to the Roads and Maritime Services seeking funding for a preliminary concept plan and support the creation of a 40km/hr High Pedestrian Activity area in Uralla's CBD.
3. Council seeks funding assistance to upgrade the section of Thunderbolts Way, including ensuring the new design improves sight distance at the Lookout Road intersection, meeting at least the 80 km/hr sight distance requirements.
4. Council approves the signposting of a "Disabled Parking" area at 94 Bridge Street, Uralla.

**Department:** Infrastructure and Regulation  
**Submitted by:** Director Infrastructure and Regulation  
**Reference:** 2.14.12.05  
**Subject:** Uralla Landfill Annual Return

13.12/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs K Disting /L Cooper )**  
Uralla Shire Council receives and notes the Environmental Monitoring  
Uralla Landfill Annual Report for the reporting year ended 16 October  
2015.

**17. MOTIONS ON NOTICE - Nil**

**18. SCHEDULE OF ACTIONS – as at 17 December 2015**

**19. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS - Nil**



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**20. AUTHORITY TO AFFIX THE COMMON SEAL**

**Item 1**

**Application of Council Seal to Section 88b instrument – DA-70-2015 –  
Mr M & Mrs D Batt and Mr M & Mrs V Atkinson**

14.12/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Dusting / L Cooper)**

**That Council endorse the affixing of the Council Seal on the Section 88b  
Instrument relating to Development Application DA 70/2015 on land  
known 16A King Street and 30 Bridge Street Uralla, being Lots 1 & 2 DP  
134287.**

***FOR: Councillors, M Pearce (Mayor), B Crouch, K Dusting, M Dusting, D Field,  
I Strutt, K Ward, L Cooper***

***AGAINST: Nil***

***APOLOGY: F Geldof***

**21. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

*There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at: 2:12pm*